

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 11, lines 6-17, please amend the paragraph as follows:

However, the overhead receiver need not select all the FSBs locations that have been supplied by the overhead generator 106. For example, when the overhead generator supplies FSBs in a first location for a first frame, the overhead receiver 124 can select FSBs in a second location that is a subset of the first location for the first frame. The overhead receiver synchronizes the received frame in response to recognizing the FSBs in the second location in the first frame. This application may be necessary when the receiver 120 uses a different protocol than transmitter 102. Other protocol translation features of the invention are discussed in "System and Method for Translating Overhead Bytes in a Multidimensional Digital Frame Structure", G. Bendak et al., filed 22 December 2000, (attorney docket no. AMCC4500).